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PCT/JP04/012106, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application. A copy of the International Search Report was enclosed with the papers when entering the U.S. National Stage on June 28, 2005. The Examiner is invited to review these materials to inspect the relevance indicated during international examination with respect to the documents cited therein. The following is a list of the documents cited in the above-noted documents:

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2002-198132, together with an English language Abstract of the same. Applicants note that this document is cited on page 1 of the specification of the present application;

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2001-184532, together with an English language Abstract of the same. Applicants note that this document is cited on page 2 of the specification of the present application;

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. HEI 8-236219, together with an English language Abstract of the same, along with English Language counterpart U.S. Patent 5,599,208;

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2000-260506, together with an English language Abstract of the same, along with English Language counterpart U.S. Patent 6,575,769;

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2002-198108, together with an English language Abstract of the same along with English Language counterpart U.S. Patent No. 2002/55283;

Japanese Laid-open Utility Model No. 1985-59379, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2002-42979, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. HEI 9-232014, together with an English language Abstract of the same.


Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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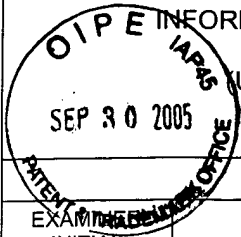


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